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## **SECOND FORMER STATE SENATE COMPUTER AIDE PLEADS GUILTY TO OBSTRUCTION**

PHILADELPHIA - Acting United States Attorney Laurie Magid announced today that Mark Eister, a former employee of Senate Democratic Computer Services, pleaded guilty to five felony counts, consisting of one count of conspiracy to obstruct justice, and four counts of obstruction of justice. The plea was entered in a pending case in which Pennsylvania State Senator Vincent J. Fumo is also a defendant. In the plea agreement, which was filed today, Eister agreed that he would cooperate in the government's continuing investigation and prosecution of the case. Additional details regarding Eister's guilty plea and plea agreement are available in documents filed by the government in the District Court. Eister, 38, is a resident of Camp Hill, Pennsylvania.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys John J. Pease and Robert A. Zauzmer.

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